

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

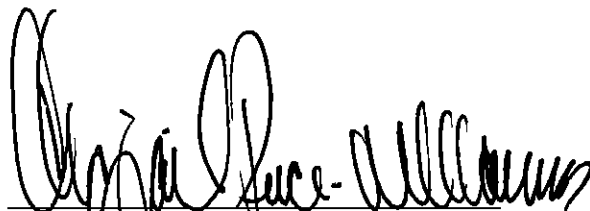
**TO:** Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** March 20, 2018

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the United States House of Representatives to enact H. Res. 775 or similar legislation that would designate a week as National Women Veterans Recognition Week

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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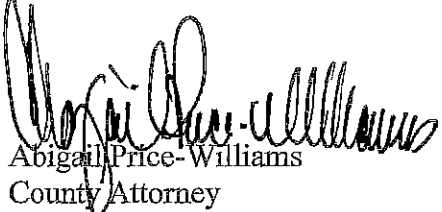


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☒ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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3-20-18

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES TO ENACT H. RES. 775 OR SIMILAR  
LEGISLATION THAT WOULD DESIGNATE A WEEK AS  
NATIONAL WOMEN VETERANS RECOGNITION WEEK

**WHEREAS**, women have proudly served their country throughout all periods of United States history, whether disguised as male soldiers during the American Revolution and Civil War, as nurses in World War I, or as combat helicopter pilots in Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS**, women have formally been a part of the United States Armed Forces since the inception of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, but have informally served since the inception of our nation's military; and

**WHEREAS**, women currently serve in every branch of the military, representing 15.5 percent of active duty military and 19.0 percent of National Guard and Reserve forces in 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, about 2 million, or 9.4 percent, of the total veteran population are women veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Center for Women Veterans, women are the fastest growing subgroup of veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, women who have served in the U.S. Military are often referred to as "invisible veterans" because until the 1970s their service contributions went largely unrecognized by politicians, the media, academia and the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, this nation owes a great deal of gratitude to the selfless contributions of women veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2018, U.S. Representative Al Lawson Jr. (D-Florida) introduced H. Res. 775 expressing support for the designation of March 11, 2018, through March 17, 2018, as National Women Veterans Recognition Week; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board recognizes the countless contributions of women veterans and supports the designation of March 11, 2018, through March 17, 2018, as National Women Veterans Recognition Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board:

**Section 1.** Urges the United States House of Representatives to enact H. Res. 775 or similar legislation that would designate a week as National Women Veterans Recognition Week.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Representative Al Lawson Jr., Representative Mario Diaz-Balart, the Members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation and the Secretary of Veteran Affairs.

**Section 3.** Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the legislative action set forth in Section 1 above and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item the 2018 Federal Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Suzanne Villano-Charif